

ST. MARY OF THE ANNUNCIATION CHURCH

AL-VI-B-091

St. Mary's Terrace, Lonaconing
1865

St. Mary's Church was constructed in 1865 and was the first Catholic Church in Lonaconing. The church was built of coarsed sandstone and constructed on the cruciform plan. It has a small louvered belfry located above the west end of the nave. The stained glass windows are 20th century additions.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

St. Mary's Church

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

St. Mary's Terrace

CITY, TOWN

Lonaconing

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY**☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT**OWNERSHIP**☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED**STATUS**☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS**ACCESSIBLE**☐ YES RESTRICTED☒ YES UNRESTRICTED☐ NO**PRESENT USE**☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☒ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Archibishop of Baltimore, R.C. Diocese of Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Maryland

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

☐ VICINITY OFSTATE, zip code
Maryland 21201**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

St. Mary of the Annunciation Church is located on St. Mary's Terrace in Lonaconing, Allegany County.

St. Mary's Church is a one story high, three bay wide building constructed using the cruciform plan. The original structure was constructed of sandstone laid in the random ashlar pattern. The only portion of the church that is not constructed of stone is the chancel. It was added later and is constructed of brick laid in American Common Bond. The church rests on a low stone foundation with a plain water table. The roof is gabled with a wide soffit and is covered with replaced asphalt shingles. A louvered belfry with a small spire is located at the west end of the nave. Windows in the church are stained glass lancet lights with pointed arches. The main entrance is located on the west facade and features a replaced vertically paneled door. Located above the main entrance is a pointed arch. Originally the area between the door and the arch may have been a stained glass transom but it is now paneled in wood with a lancet tracery. A single replaced brick chimney is located on the northern side at the apex of the nave and the transept.

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PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1865

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Town of Lonaconing has long been a Catholic Community. Catholic missionaries from the Redemptorist Fathers in Cumberland had begun to visit the area as early as 1840. At first the number of Catholics was so small that mass was celebrated in the Brummage Stone House (Historic Sites Inventory Form AL-VI-B-042). In the early years the congregation was almost exclusively German and services and instruction were given in the German language. By the 1860's, several Irish families had joined the congregation as well and it was decided that the congregation was sufficiently large to begin building a church. In the summer of 1865, the stone was cut and hauled and work on the walls began. The church opened its doors for the first time on Christmas EVE in 1865. The church was still unfinished and quilts and blankets were hung around the building to keep out the cold.

From 1865 to the present time, the church of St. Mary of the Annunciation (originally known as St. Raphael's) has grown and prospered. For 22 years, from 1885 until 1907, the parish operated the only parochial school in Lonaconing (See Historic Sites Inventory Form AL-VI-B-090). In 1965 the church celebrated its centennial anniversary and certain renovations including modern stained glass windows, new pews and a new organ were installed.¹ However, the building is in excellent condition and retains much of its original fabric and appearance.

1 "Commemoration of the Completion of One Hundred Years". St. Mary of the Annunciation (Cumberland, Maryland: The Commercial Printing Press, 1965)

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson & Joan Baldwin

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

CITY OR TOWN

LaVale,

DATE

2/24/77

TELEPHONE

777-8991

STATE

Maryland

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

DATE: February 8, 1977REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minorNAME OF PROPERTY: St. Mary's Church 463-2514LOCATION OF PROPERTY: St. Mary's Terrace, Lonaconing, Maryland 21539DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: WestNAME OF OWNER: Archbishop of Baltimore, R.C. Diocese of MarylandADDRESS: Baltimore, Maryland 21201

STORIES: 1(X) 2() 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3(X) 4() 5() 6() 7() ()

WINGS, ADDITIONS: Rear brick additionDwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular) small louvered belfry

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- () FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
(X) BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
(X) STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
() LOG Covering
() Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS PlainFOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONEWATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICKWINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1() 2/2() 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other() Lancet
pegged() nailed() wide() narrow() mitred() pediment()ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: WestHARDWARE: original() replaced(X)FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAINPaneled, Verticle, Horizontal BoardsCORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)original() replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze,ArchitraveROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, FORMERS #MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced(X)PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable()CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 1 BRICK(X) STONE() CORBELLED() original() replaced(X)LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end(X) Central() Interior()ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - ChurchSignificance - ArchitectureDate Constructed - 1865 - remodeledCondition - Good

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Northwest



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ST. MARY'S R.C. CHURCH

FIGURE 74.

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St. Mary's Church

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sculpting east
~~Northwest~~